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of Fort Tejon, Cal., was presented by the Smithsonian Institution. Twenty-three species of African plants were presented by Wm. M. Canby. One species was presented by D. P. Rosenmiller and two by C. F. Parker.

Minerals.—Dr. F. A. Genth presented a huge mass of dog-tooth spar, from Morgan mine, Ken. Alfred Deshong presented four groups of large feldspar crystals from Leiperville, and Jacob Swayne two large crystals of muscovite, from Pennsbury, Pa.

Of other minerals there were presented, three by W. S. Vaux, two by C. S. Bement, two by B. S. Lyman, two by I. Lea, two by E. Goldsmith, and one by each of the following: Dr. F. A. Genth, G. A. Nicolls, H. Veeder, T. D. Rand, and W. L. Mactier.

Respectfully submitted by

JOSEPH LEIDY,
Chairman of Curators.

REPORT OF THE BOTANICAL COMMITTEE.

To the President and Members of the Academy:—

During the past year the Committee have devoted themselves to distributing the valuable specimens contained in the various collections through the general and the North American Herbariums.

In our last report it was stated that owing to the cases being full, and not permitting from their structure any additions, these specimens were temporarily arranged in a supplemental herbarium. By the consent of the curators these old cases will be abandoned, and simple portfolio cases employed in their stead. This has enabled the Committee to distribute the plants in their proper places in the general herbarium.

At the beginning of last year the index of the general herbarium contained the names of 3239 genera. By the labors of the Committee 170 new ones have been added. The work during the next month will be entirely finished.

THOMAS MEEHAN, *for the Committee.*

The Treasurer's Report was read and referred to the Committee on Finance.

[March 19,